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1. U.S. Patent No. 2002/0147815 A1, issued on October 10, 2002 to Tomasov et al.
2. U.S. Patent No. 6,353,878 B1, issued on March 5, 2002 to Dunham.
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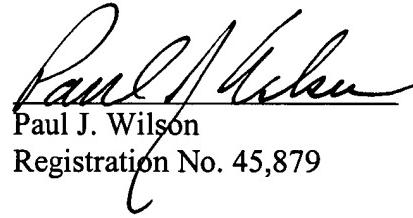
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